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X: Blame's On Prophet

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"I believe that it was done on orders of Elijah Muhammad."

Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X hurled this charge at the head of the Black Muslim Movement today as he headed back for New York "to tell everyone what is going on and who is responsible" for the fire-bombing of his Queens home early yesterday.

The controversial leader said his statements would come at a meeting of his Organization of Afro-American Unity at 8 o'clock tonight in the Audubon Ballroom, 166th st. and Broadway.

"It doesn't frighten me; it doesn't quiet me down in any way or shut me up," said Malcolm of the wrecking of his small brick home at 23-11 97th st., Elmhurst.

"I will not move. My family understands what is involved and they feel the same way I do. I am not afraid of them and will not run from them."

Malcolm, 39, his wife, Betty, 37, and his daughters—Attilah, 6, Qubilah, 4, Illyasah, 2, and

Gamilah, 3 months—fled the house unharmed about 2:45 a.m. when at least two, and possibly three Molotov cocktails reportedly crashed through the living room windows and burst into flames.

Malcolm, who was asked to vacate the Muslim-owned house after breaking with the Muslims last year to set up his own rival militant anti-white movement, spoke by telephone before heading home from Detroit where he'd gone to keep a speaking engagement shortly after the blaze.

"They fear I might create an organization that will be better than theirs and detract from theirs. But I'm not afraid."

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While "X" was en route back to New York, Civil Court Justice Maurice Wahl vacated a stay of eviction against him. In lifting the stay, Justice Wahl noted that his decision to have Malcolm evicted from the Elmhurst house had been appealed to the Appellate Term of Supreme Court. Thus, jurisdiction was taken out of Justice Wahl's hands.

With the court's decision still far from final, Joseph X, self-described Muslim business manager, said:

"We own this place, man. He was going to be evicted. We have money tied up here. We have to hear about it (the fire) on the radio. He didn't even give us the courtesy of a phone call."